

BECON



BALTIMORE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION NETWORK A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



SYSTEM OVERVIEW

➤ Purpose

The Baltimore Emergency Communication Network (BECON) provides a fast, robust, and effective mechanism for public-private sector communication in an emergency. The system allows government and businesses to efficiently exchange critical information and coordinate response and recovery activities to better serve the citizens of Baltimore.

➤ Participants

BECON was initially developed by the City of Baltimore, the Downtown Partnership Safety Coalition, and various Baltimore businesses. It is administered by the Baltimore City Mayor's Office of Emergency Management (MOEM). BECON currently has over 200 member organizations.

Each organization may designate up to two contacts.

➤ System Features

BECON participants provide contact information, which is stored in AlertFind, an automated messaging system. In an emergency, AlertFind can be activated to rapidly notify participants via multiple communication devices such as email, office phone, and mobile phone.

The City will send out an alert to notify members of emergency conditions, provide instructions on protective actions, solicit information about facility status, request assistance, or arrange for additional coordination by conference call or other means.

➤ Contact

For more information or to join BECON contact:

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